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## **Speed Emphasis Patrol SR 3 near Eldorado Blvd**

On July 9, 2006 Detachment One of the Washington State Patrol's Poulsbo Detachment conducted a speed emphasis patrol with five troopers in the area of northbound SR 3 and Eldorado Blvd. Five troopers took part in the emphasis patrol between the hours of 10 a.m. and noon, four troopers conducting traffic stops and one trooper operating the laser unit.

Troopers stopped 40 cars and cited 36 drivers for speed. Two of the vehicles were traveling over 80 MPH. Two drivers were also cited for no insurance & one for not having a motorcycle endorsement.

Trooper Katie Colello-Bidewell stated, "The goal of the emphasis patrols was to remind drivers to watch their speed, many of the collisions troopers investigate involve a driver traveling at an unsafe speed."

The Poulsbo Detachment of the Washington State Patrol wants to remind drivers to continually monitor their speed. With the warm weather upon, troopers don't want to see an increase in unsafe driving.

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